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# *The CherYsh Post*



*Dr. Nirupama Menon Rao inaugurating "Jewellery for a cause" by Srishti Fine Jewelry in support of CherYsh*

*Welcome to April Newsletter !*



With Lok Sabha elections round the corner, there seems to be a curfew on any community development activity. We have been told by the Law and Order authorities on the field that there should be no group meetings, community meetings etc. Being law abiding citizens we are very religiously following this and it has affected the pace of our work particularly with the livelihood programmes.

On the other hand the rural communities are all geared up for the elections , groups are getting together to receive dole outs ,

conflicts, and arguments are on, truck loads full of people are moving from one place to another for campaigning.

Isn't it a paradox?

All we want is that something good comes out of this election, where farmers, women, the poor, the exploited, the marginalized, the left out are benefited.

And those of us who work at the grassroots level hope to get support to leverage our work, and an ecosystem is created where the resources reach the end beneficiary.

Best wishes,

Renu Mukunda  
Director, Programmes & Social Innovation



CherYsh is participating for a fifth time in the TCS World 10 K Run - Bangalore

## CherYsh gets support from Srishti Fine Jewelry

A fundraiser sale named "Jewellery for a cause" was conducted by Srishti Fine Jewelry, Indiranagar-Bangalore to support CherYsh. Dr. Nirupama Menon Rao, retired Indian diplomat, Foreign Secretary & Ambassador and advisor to CherYsh Trust, inaugurated the event.

The fundraiser was successfully concluded with many people contributing towards CherYsh's work in the rural villages of Karnataka. The event also gave an opportunity to display and sell the shawls and stoles made by the women of Mundwad village of Haliyal.



*Glimpses from "Jewellery for a cause " fundraiser event*

## Progress through partnerships

CherYsh has always believed in the importance of partnerships to enable development at scale. A two day workshop was held at Deshpande Foundation office, Hubballi where teams from CherYsh, Deshpande Foundation and Social alpha -TATA Trust brainstormed on the

possibilities of partnerships to expand the education and livelihood related projects in the rural villages of Uttara Kannada. An initial frame work was drawn out for piloting the partnership and ground work has started to facilitate the same.

## International Women's Day celebrations

International Women's Day was celebrated with much fervour in the villages of Haliyal on the 8th of March. CherYsh's Learning Facilitators gathered at Haliyal Resource Center to celebrate the day. Members of CherYsh's livelihood groups joined the procession and

festivities organised by the government. Various fun events were conducted in the villages where women engaged in friendly competitions, games and cultural events and Learning Facilitators anchored the celebration in their respective villages



*CherYsh at the International Women's Day procession at Haliyal*



*Learning Facilitators celebrating Women's Day*

## Training for enhancing teaching efficiency at Shikshas

CherYsh in partnership with Meghshala Trust is implementing digital modules as a teaching tool in the Shikshas. A preparatory training was conducted in Haliyal prior to implementation. Two trainers from Meghshala, Mr. Danayya and

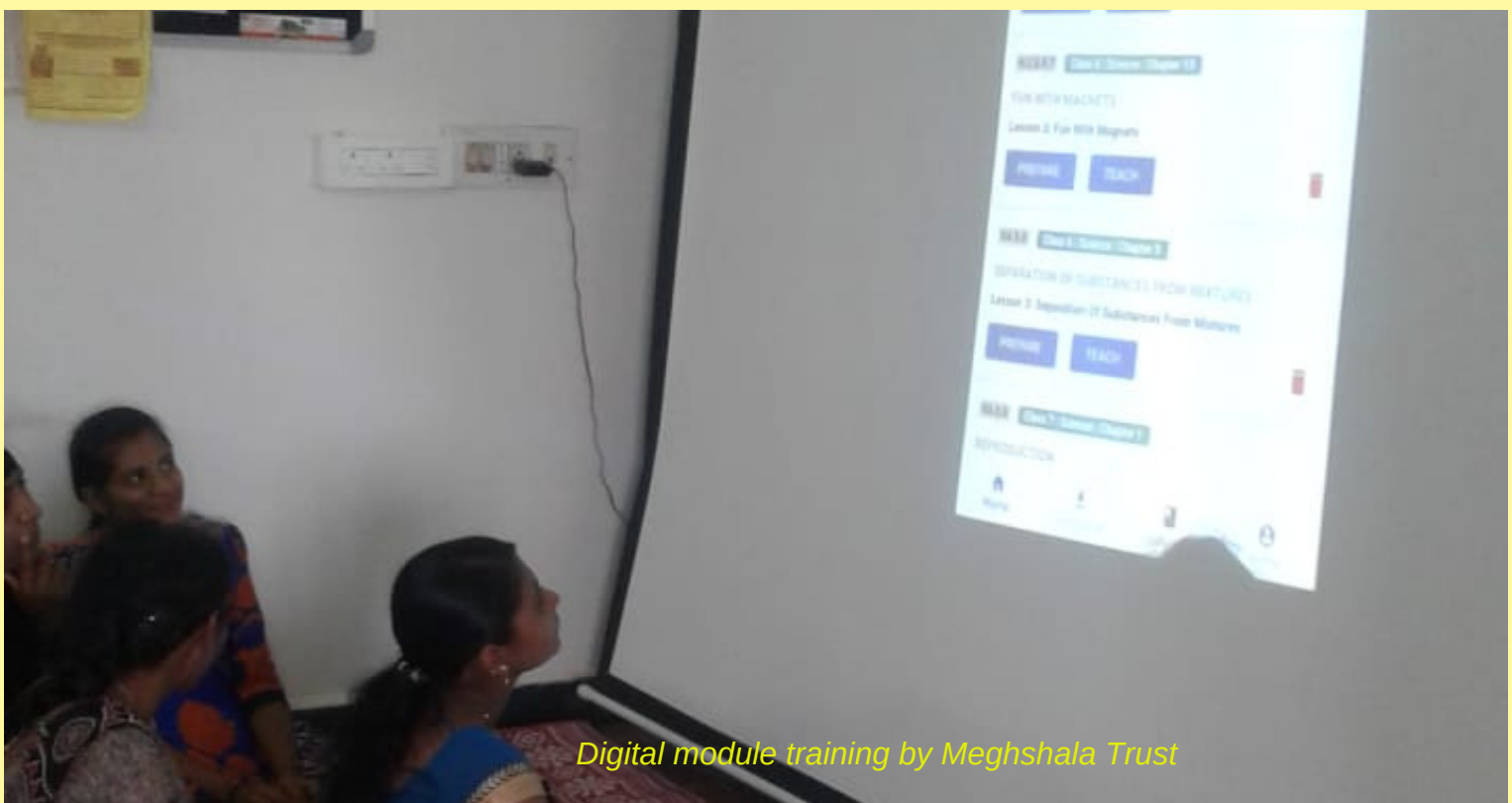
Mr.Subham, oriented the learning facilitators on how to download the Meghshala app which has the digitised learning modules and helped them to get familiarised with it.

## Revving up for Annual Examinations

The Shikshas were busy with preparations for annual examinations during the past month. Study circles were formed and the Learning Facilitators helped children with their examination syllabus. The Shikshas will close for summer holidays after the exams.



*Annual Examination preparations at Shikshas*



*Digital module training by Meghshala Trust*

## Gearing up for TCS World 10 K 2019

We kick started our efforts for the TCS World 10 K 2019. Since 2015, CherYsh has been using this premiere 10 KM Run at Bangalore as a platform for raising funds as well as for spreading awareness about our work. Five junior level women football players from Haliyal whose education and

football coaching are supported by CherYsh will be running for us at the TCS World 10 K, this year . They will be joined by two field staff members of CherYsh and other supporters. We are looking forward to making our participation this year, a great success.

Link to CherYsh's Fund Raising Page on the TCS World 10 K Philanthropy Platform :

<https://icfn.in/tcsworld10k/CherYsh/>



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